

Docket No. 112134-00102



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Jan Abraham VAN ASSELT

GAU: 3711

SERIAL NO: 09/582,556

EXAMINER: M. Aryanpour

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ This application qualifies for small entity status. 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Fee Transmittal

Claims	Claims Remaining	Highest Number Prev. Paid		Number of Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total	37	35	-20	2	\$18	\$36.00
Independent	4	3	-3	0	\$86	\$0.00
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity						\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Recordation of Assignment					\$40.00	\$0.00
TOTAL						\$36.00

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$36.00 is attached.
- ☒ Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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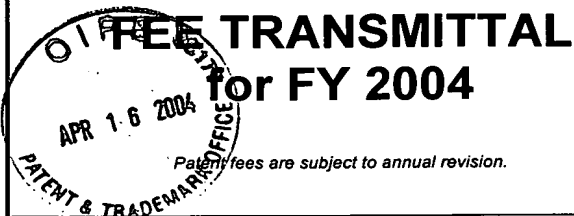
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<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:</p> <p>Deposit Account Number <b>23-2185</b></p> <p>Deposit Account Name <b>BLANK ROME LLP</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27</p>		<p>3. ADDITIONAL FEES</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Fee Code</th><th>Large Entity Fee (\$)</th><th>Small Entity Fee (\$)</th><th>Fee Description</th><th>Fee Paid</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>105</td><td>130</td><td>205</td><td>65</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>127</td><td>50</td><td>227</td><td>25</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>139</td><td>130</td><td>139</td><td>130</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>147</td><td>2,520</td><td>147</td><td>2,520</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>112</td><td>920*</td><td>112</td><td>920*</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>113</td><td>1,840*</td><td>113</td><td>1,840*</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>115</td><td>110</td><td>215</td><td>55</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>116</td><td>420</td><td>216</td><td>210</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>117</td><td>950</td><td>217</td><td>475</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>118</td><td>1,480</td><td>218</td><td>740</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>128</td><td>2,010</td><td>228</td><td>1,005</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>119</td><td>330</td><td>219</td><td>165</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>120</td><td>330</td><td>220</td><td>165</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>121</td><td>280</td><td>221</td><td>145</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>138</td><td>1,510</td><td>138</td><td>1,510</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>140</td><td>110</td><td>240</td><td>55</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>141</td><td>1,330</td><td>241</td><td>665</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>142</td><td>1,330</td><td>242</td><td>665</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>143</td><td>480</td><td>243</td><td>240</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>144</td><td>640</td><td>244</td><td>320</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>122</td><td>130</td><td>122</td><td>130</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>123</td><td>50</td><td>123</td><td>50</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>126</td><td>180</td><td>126</td><td>180</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>581</td><td>40</td><td>581</td><td>40</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>146</td><td>770</td><td>246</td><td>385</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>149</td><td>770</td><td>249</td><td>385</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>179</td><td>770</td><td>279</td><td>385</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>169</td><td>900</td><td>169</td><td>900</td><td></td></tr></tbody></table>		Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	105	130	205	65		127	50	227	25		139	130	139	130		147	2,520	147	2,520		112	920*	112	920*		113	1,840*	113	1,840*		115	110	215	55		116	420	216	210		117	950	217	475		118	1,480	218	740		128	2,010	228	1,005		119	330	219	165		120	330	220	165		121	280	221	145		138	1,510	138	1,510		140	110	240	55		141	1,330	241	665		142	1,330	242	665		143	480	243	240		144	640	244	320		122	130	122	130		123	50	123	50		126	180	126	180		581	40	581	40		146	770	246	385		149	770	249	385		179	770	279	385		169	900	169	900	
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In response to the non-final Office Action of January 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

(1) **Amendments to the specification** are reflected in the substitute paragraphs that begin on page 3 of this paper;

(2) **Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 4 of this paper;

(3) **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

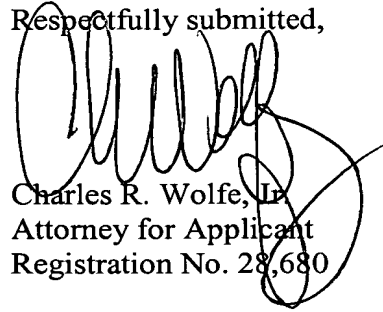
Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in the Office Action and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully solicited in view of the amendments and accompanying remarks. In the event that any issues remain that can be overcome most easily through a telephone communication, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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the Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for such an extension for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fees due in connection with said Petition are authorized. Please charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment thereof, to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (112134-00102).

Respectfully submitted,

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